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Attention: Ms. Sue Kiser

Dear Ms. Kiser:

With this letter and pursuant to the authority delegated to me, I approve the following amendment of the San Joaquin Council of Governments' (SJCOG) 2004/05-2006/07 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP):

<u>No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
6	<b>Local Element</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Programs new projects in San Joaquin County. The projects included in this amendment are funded from the Hazard Elimination Safety (HES) program. See enclosure.</li></ul>

I am also recommending that the Federal Highway Administration approve this FTIP Amendment No. 6 for inclusion into California's 2004/05-2006/07 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP). Projects included in this FTIP in fiscal years not within the three-year cycle of the current FSTIP are not approved as part of this FTIP amendment and are shown for information only.

The updated programming is for project types within Table 2 & 3 - Exempt Projects, of 40 CFR § 93.126 & 127 that are exempt from the conformity determination requirement. Therefore, this FTIP amendment is consistent with the State Implementation Plan. The financial impacts of this amendment are compatible with anticipated revenues in the FSTIP Financial Plan and do not significantly affect the overall financial analysis. These projects are included and submitted by SJCOG through the California Transportation Improvement Program System (CTIPS). Caltrans concerns, if any, are reflected in the

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"Caltrans Comment" section of the FTIP Project Data Entry screen in CTIPS project by project.

Please address any questions on this FSTIP approval request to Abhijit Bagde of my staff, at (916) 614-3638.

Sincerely,



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Chief  
Division of Transportation Programming

Enclosures

- c: Steven Barhite - EPA Office of Air Planning (w/enclosure)
- Julia E. Greene - San Joaquin Council of Governments
- Scott Butler - San Joaquin Council of Governments
- Rachel Falsetti - Caltrans
- Abhijit Bagde - Caltrans